

Honorable Douglas H. Wilkins
Lawrence Superior Court
Lawrence, MA

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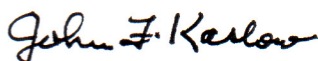
Dear Judge Wilkins:

My name is John F. Kaslow, an Andover resident and a long time parishioner of St. Patrick Parish in Lawrence. I write to you today as you consider the fate of Leonard Degnan whose court case you have presided over these past two weeks. As a former executive of a very large company, I appreciate how very good and decent people can sometimes become caught up in circumstances that may have had good intentions but unintended implications. It is in this light that I sincerely ask for your clemency in your sentencing deliberations in Leonard's case.

I have known Leonard through our mutual participation in parish activities at St. Patrick's over some time. He has always been a fine gentleman, a notably good husband and father and a man of faith – in short, a good and decent man.

Your Honor, may this personal reflection on Leonard's decency and character be helpful in your deliberations in this case.

Respectfully,



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